

A PROFESSORSHIP
IN MATRIMONY.

By Nixola Greeley-Smith.

THE Bishop of Ripon, according to a London cable, says that a training-school for engaged couples ought to be established and that there should also be provided for them a rest cure where they could spend some time on the eve of marriage at the conclusion of the educational course.

Why wouldn't the foundation and endowment of a special professorship in matrimony in colleges already established answer the purpose and save the time and money required for the establishment of a new school?

The gravest question to be considered concerns the course of training. Would special lectures on the right method of holding hands, learned disquisitions on "The Kiss Among the Egyptians," speculations as to whether it is nobler in the man to let the girl propose or gallantly save her the trouble be a recognized part of the curriculum, or would it be confined to more sordid details relating to butchers' and grocers' bills, dumb-waiter etiquette and the correct manner of breaking to the dollar-gas man that you only intend to pay him eighty cents?

Most philosophers have fancied most adventures into its sacred realms have found that marriage is in itself a school with a certain disciplinary value for every one. But it is perhaps the Harvard, the Yale, the Oxford of life to enter which long and weary grinding in a preparatory school is necessary.

It is possible by judicious coaching, however, to prepare for one's exam, and I fear that in matrimony more than in anything else this slipshod, hurried preparation is likely to prevail. What is the engagement for other than?

The image of Edwin and Angelina starting hand in hand every morning to the school of matrimony, gripping their text books nervously, hearing each other's lessons, is touching in the extreme. But like most beautiful visions it is not likely to come true.

Anyway, why should the divine illusions of the engagement period be driven like clouds before a thunder storm by the harsh voice of fact? Time will tell when what it would be cruel for the harshest professor to divulge, that love comes, but matrimony lingers—sometimes like an unloved guest.

The Bishop of Ripon says we learn to be doctors and lawyers. Why not learn to be married people? We don't have to. It would be quite as logical to prescribe the establishment of a school for dying or for cutting one's first tooth.

We all have to be married sooner or later.

The Bishop's recommendation seems an unworthy survival of gloomy Puritanism.

BETTY VINCENT'S
ADVICE TO LOVERS.

ONE of my young correspondents writes me that she is very much in love with a young man, but that he has told her friend he does not love her because when he takes her out she never speaks.

"Please tell me what to speak about next time I go out with him," she asks. My dear little girl, you cannot out a conversation out beforehand as you might a dress pattern. Conversation is born of the mood and the moment. To-day you may feel like talking of your grandmother's funeral, but if you map out a conversation along those lines for to-morrow the occasion may find you empty as a marriage bell.

I can, however, give you a few general principles which you may be able to apply to your own case. To interest a man you don't have to be talkative. You needn't say things yourself, but merely show him that you are interested in what he says.

Every man has some one subject he particularly likes to talk about. Sometimes it is his business, sometimes his favorite sport. Just now most young men are interested in planning their vacations. You might get your young man to tell you where he expects to spend his this year, and encourage him to talk about former vacations and the good-times he had.

It is easier and more effective to let a man talk than to talk yourself. And few men are so dull as not to be able to make themselves interesting to other people on a subject interesting to themselves.

Read the newspapers. Talk about the day's events. If the young man is interested in sports you might even read the sporting page.

If you love the man every little detail of his daily life should be interesting to you. Ask his opinion of things and accept it as if it were a revelation from on high. This will not only show him that you love him, for it will really seem so to you.

All perplexed young people can obtain advice on their tangled love affairs by writing to Betty Vincent, Editor of THE EVENING WORLD, Post-Office Box 1254, New York.

A Shabby Youth.

I WENT for four months with a young man who had a falling out with his girl and for Christmas I gave him a handsome gold bracelet. Now I hear he has gone back to his old love and I feel terrible. I also heard he is and was engaged to her when he was calling on me. Is it proper for me to return the present or shall I keep it and have a laugh on him?

A. J.

Return it. The young man treated you very shabby.

He Never Answered.

I MET a young man last summer and liked him very much. I have written him a few times since. I wrote to him about six months ago, but did not receive an answer. I am sure that he received my letter, because I wrote, "If not delivered, return." Do you think I should write again?

MAUDE.

No. There is no possible excuse for writing again. He was very rude not to answer you.

He Treats Her Coolly.

I AM a young girl of sixteen and deeply in love with a young fellow of seventeen living a great distance from me, and I see him but very seldom. He tells a friend of his he thinks a great deal of me, but when I see him he treats me very cool indeed. Now, I have a great many more friends after me and fellows whom I like, but not as well as he.

Now, Miss Betty, what I want to ask you is this: Should I waste my time on him when he treats me that way? A BROKEN HEARTED GIRL.

No. Give him up.

She Seeks a Divorce.

I AM a poor girl and am married, but my husband has not lived with me for nearly three years. I have two children, but their father never sees them. And he has never sent one cent to me to help support us. Please tell me if I can get married without a divorce as I am too poor to get one. Can you tell me of a place where I could get one without cost, I where he is married again and has one child.

A. P. G.

You cannot marry again without securing a divorce, and that would cost

Out of the Mouths of Babies.

TEACHER—In what way do the quakers speak differently from us, Johnny?

Johnny—They don't swear.

City Boy (in country)—What kind of bird is that, grandpa?

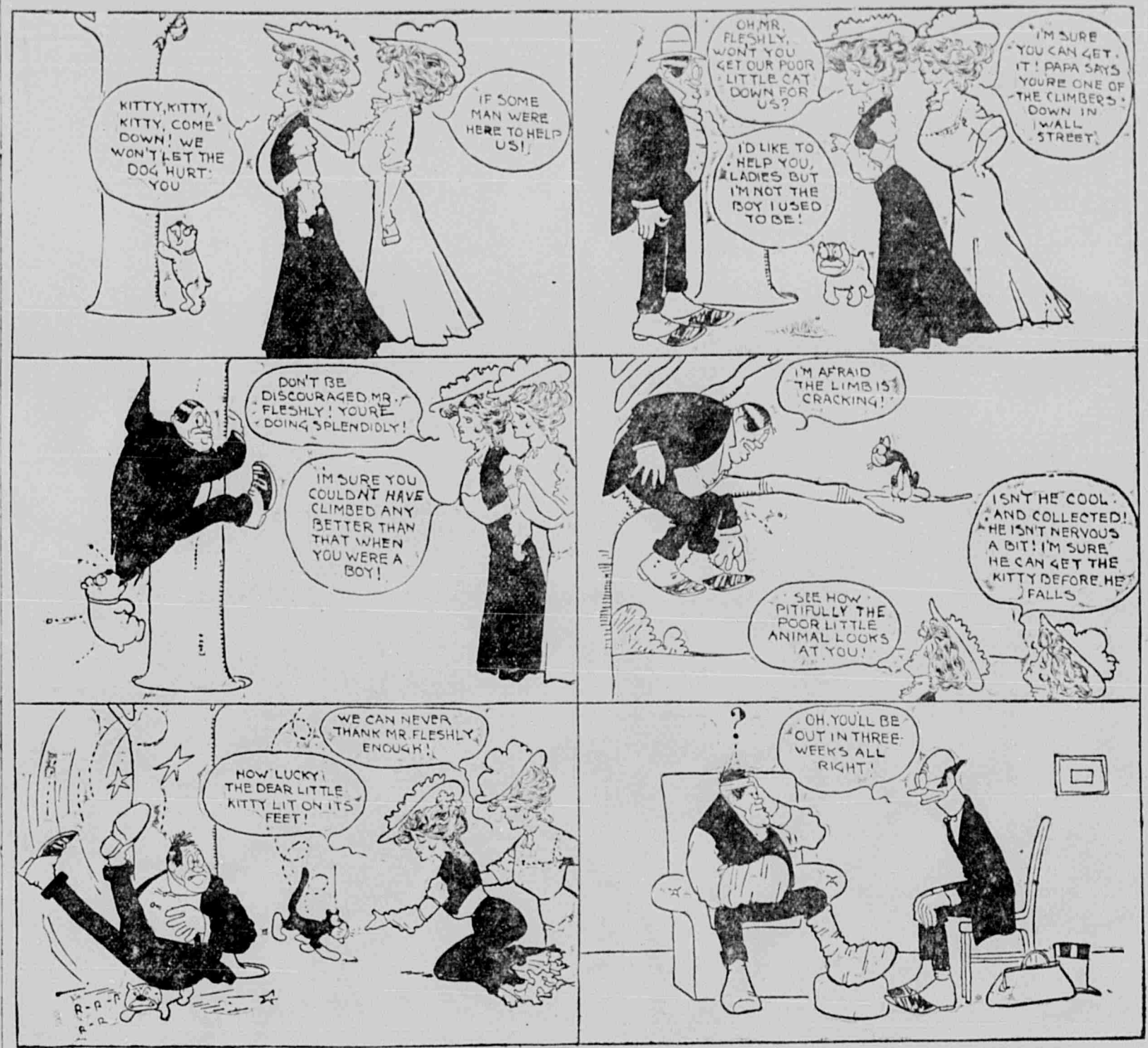
Grandpa—That's a barn swallow.

City Boy—Does it swallow barns?

Mamma—Why, Willie, what is your object in saying your prayers twice to-night?

Little Willie—Because, mamma, I forgot to say 'am last night, so I thought I'd better make up for it.—Chicago News.

THE 'JOLLY' GIRLS—THEY Win! By George McManus

LETTERS FROM
THE PEOPLE.

Sun and Water.

To the Editor of The Evening World: Can some reader who understands physics answer this: How far (if to any depth) does the light direct from the sun descend into a body of clear water (say a river or lake)? C. T. S.

The "Middle Car" Mystery.

To the Editor of The Evening World: "Mr. Subwaydizer" complains of the middle cars being "jammed to the doors" during rush hours. And he asks why this is. Has "Mr. Subwaydizer" ever reached the station just as the train was drawing in. And when he reached the station and was just in time to board the train, did he run to the front or rear car? No. He boarded the car whose rate was nearest to him. So, not alone under such circumstances do passengers board the trains, but even when they are waiting to stand near the entrance than walk to either end of the station. So, if you have noticed, "Mr. Subwaydizer," the crowd is generally at the middle of the station, and as the middle car generally stops near the middle of the station, so the crowd, for the most part, boards the middle cars. T. H. H.

Eighty-Cent Gas.

To the Editor of The Evening World: The people of New York should insist on eighty-cent gas. The idea of the gas companies that the law contemplates without due process cannot be sustained, as the companies have a perfect right to discontinue business if they do not care to furnish gas at the price fixed by law. If the city desired to assert its rights it could take charge of all the gas mains in the streets, as it is well-established law that permanent improvements when placed upon public property revert to the public when the franchise expires. To annex such improvements is probably no more than the gas companies would do if conditions were reversed. EDWIN M.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

By Margaret Hubbard Ayer.

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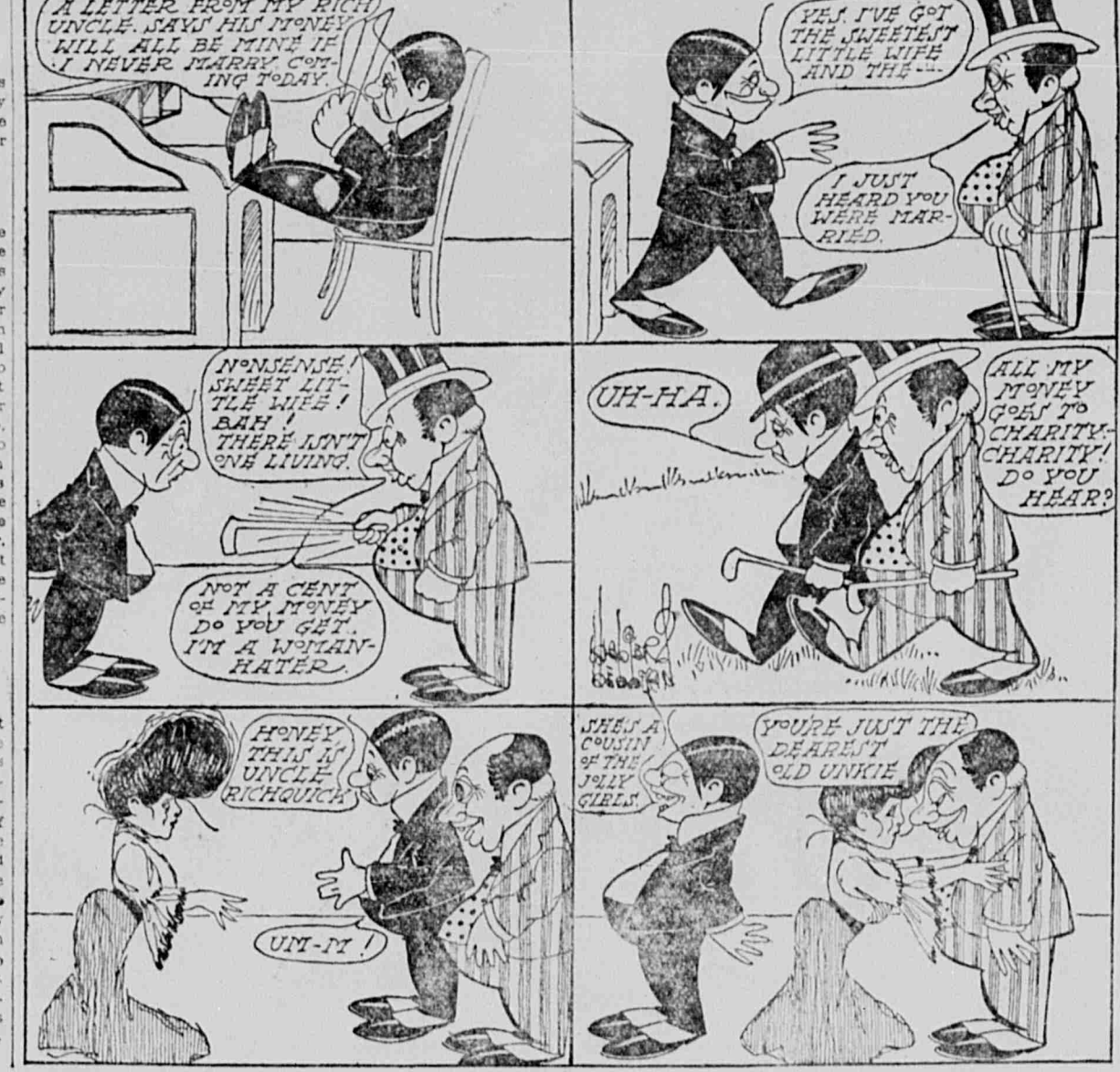
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Her Own Troubles.

TROUBLED READER.—Pumice stone will take the hair from the arms, but is not to be used for any other purpose. Get an ordinary five-cent cake of pumice stone. This is not pumice soap, but the regular old-fashioned pumice stone. To remove the hair rub the skin afflicted with the superfluous growth and the pumice stone will wear the hair off. Be careful not to be too heroic and irritate the skin. In case the arms are made red

MR. HAPPYHOME

By Walter Wellman.



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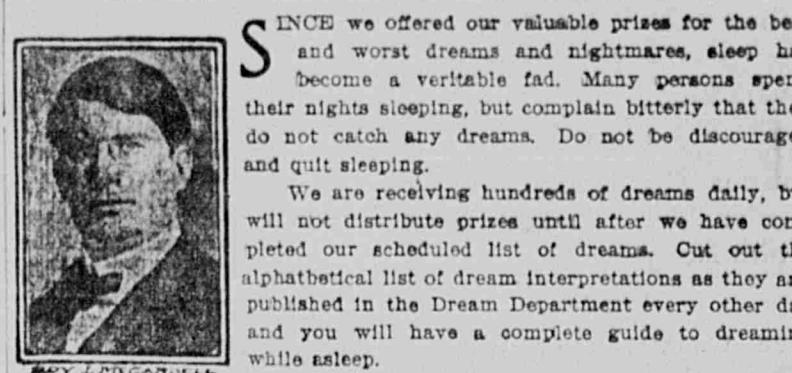
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OUR DREAM DEPARTMENT.

By Roy L. McCardell.

Great Success of the Vision Annex! Hundreds of Dreams Sent In Daily! Who Will Win the Valuable Prizes?



SINCE we offered our valuable prizes for the best and worst dreams and nightmares, sleep has become a veritable fad. Many persons spend their nights sleeping, but complain bitterly that they do not catch any dreams. Do not be discouraged and quit sleeping.

We are receiving hundreds of dreams daily, but will not distribute prizes until after we have completed our scheduled list of dreams. Cut out the alphabetical list of dream interpretations as they are published in the Dream Department every other day and you will have a complete guide to dreaming while asleep.

These are the days of dreams. Dream pictures, dream stories are all the fashion. Remember your dreams after you wake up. They may be valuable. Many contestants write us that they are trying so hard to dream that they are losing sleep over it.

Let us forget, we repeat our list of prizes: A portrait of the Doring District-Attorney for the best dream, a canned Welsh rabbit for the worst dream, and a good, serviceable gig for the best nightmare. Dream briefly and to the point. Long dreams, pipe dreams and day dreams barred.

Here is the Dream Book and Oraculum of Fate (continued):

Letter "J."

Jackknife—You talk too much. You think you are very sharp and bright. Shut up.

Jewshap—To dream of seeing one is a sign that you will see an Irishman working for a Hebrew.

Joy—You will get a line from Providence.

Jag—To dream of having one is a sign that you will meet a jovial person with money.

Letter "K."

Kansas—To dream you are in Kansas is a bad sign. It might come true.

Kiss—For a girl to dream she is kissed is a sure sign her lips will be chapped. For a man to dream he kisses is a sign of trouble at home.

Kidneys—To dream that yours hurt is a sign that you will be sick and lose your salary for a week back.

Knit—Some one will tell you a yarn.

Letter "L."

Laboratory—To dream of being in a laboratory is a sign that you will manufacture chemicals only to find them a drug in the market.

Lamp—To dream you are a lamp is a sign that you will not be a real lamp; you'll only be a shine one, for you will only get lit up after you go out.

Landlord—There is a man you are trying to avoid.

Leather—Be careful of your money or you will find yourself strapped.

Buckle down.

Lemon—Beware of the Yellow Peril. Don't let any one hand you a lemon.

Lime—Have confidence in your friends. You will be treated white.

Lobster—Keep out of hot water.

CHUG-CHUG LYRICS.

By Charles R. Barnes.

Ups and Downs.

MRS. SWIGAN bought a motor car. And Mrs. Mao was tickled—gee! She had the driver ride her out. Most every day so folks could see Their lives had been most commonplace They lived serenely day by day; Existence was a level thing— It went along about this way.

But presto! when the auto came The Mao's got in the social whirl. Why, Mrs. Mao looked young again. The way she used to, as a girl. No longer were they common folks. They revealed in a spot-light blues; Their social stock went up, you know— Away up yonder just like this!

But what goes up comes down again! The auto took a smash-up streak! The crank shaft broke right square in two. And every the spring awoke! McSwigan paid and paid and paid— And then he gave the car away; For with his social stock went up

His bank account had slumped this way!

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